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Forney City Council Tuesday, May 4, 2021 6:30 p.m. Regular Meeting City Hall, 101 E. Main Street, Forney, Texas 75126

Minutes

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Penn called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Present were Mayor Mary Penn and Council Members James Traylor, Robbie Powers, Kevin Moon, Derald Cooper and David Johnson. There is a vacancy in Place 2. Also present was Interim City Manager Charles Daniels.

II. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – MAYOR MARY PENN

III. PROCLAMATIONS / PRESENTATIONS

1. Proclamation for Pearls by the Lake, An Official Interest Group of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.

Mayor Penn read the read Proclamation. No one was present to receive the proclamation.

2. Presentation to outgoing Council Members

Mayor Penn presented Council Members Kevin Moon and David Johnson with Certificates of Recognition and a gift. Council Member Johnson stated it has been and honor and a privilege to serve. He has worked in municipal government for 48 years. He has worked with great people along the way, but everything comes to an end. God Bless everyone. Council Member Moon thanked Staff for all they do. He did not realize what all Staff does. He thanked the Council and stated it was a great team. He thanked his wife for her support.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Consider approval of the Minutes of the April 14, 2021, Special City Council meeting.

Mayor Penn asked if Council had any changes to the Minutes. There being no changes, Mayor Penn called for a motion. Council Member Johnson made a motion to approve the Minutes of the April 14, 2021, Special City Council meeting and Council Member Traylor seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 6 ayes and 1 vacancy.

2. Consider approval of the Minutes of the April 20, 2021, City Council meeting.

Mayor Penn asked if Council had any changes to the Minutes. There being no changes, Mayor Penn called for a motion. Council Member Traylor made a motion to approve the Minutes of the April 20, 2021, City Council meeting and Council Member Moon seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 6 ayes and 1 vacancy.

V. CONSENT AGENDA

The items on the Consent Agenda are considered to be self-explanatory by the Council and will be enacted in one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless requested by a Council Member.

1. Consider approval of the quarterly investment report ending 3/31/21.

- 2. Consider approval of a resolution approving a Financial Services Consulting Agreement with Hilltop Securities for the Bellagio PID.
- 3. Consider a Resolution awarding an Annual Price Agreement for Asphalt Maintenance and Materials to Anderson Asphalt & Concrete Paving, LLC and all related issues.
- 4. Consider approval of a Resolution authorizing the application for grant funding for a TASER & Radio Acquisition Project as part of the Texas Office of the Governor, Public Safety Office, Criminal Justice Division: Criminal Justice Program FY 2022 funding opportunity.

Mayor Penn asked if Council wanted to pull any item for discussion. No items were pulled, so Mayor Penn called for a motion. Council Member Powers made a motion to approve the entire Consent Agenda and Council Member Cooper seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 6 ayes and 1 vacancy.

VI. OPEN FORUM/CITIZEN COMMENTS

This is the public's opportunity to address the City Council on any matter related to the City. In accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Section 551.042, the City Council cannot discuss, consider, or take action on matters not listed on the agenda. The City Council will receive citizen comments on non-agenda items, and if necessary, may refer the matter to City staff for research, resolution or referral to Council on a future agenda. As described in the City's Public Meeting Procedures, comments will be limited to three (3) minutes.

Mayor Penn opened the open forum session but no one came forward to address the Council, so the open forum session was closed.

VII. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

THE CITY MANAGER WILL DISCUSS CURRENT CITY ACTIVITIES, UPCOMING MEETINGS, FUTURE LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITIES, AND OTHER RELATED MATTERS FOR POSSIBLE ACTION, INCLUDING THE FOLLOWING:

Interim City Manager Charles Daniels stated it was good to be back. Daniels announced the dates for the Movies in the Park. May 7th is Spiderman into the Spiderverse; the other dates are May 14th, June 11th, and June 18th.

To celebrate the agreement with Franco Tennis there will be a Forney Family Tennis Day on May 8th from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. and the event is free.

VIII. COUNCIL COMMENTS

PURSUANT TO SECTION 551.0415 TEX. GOV'T CODE, CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS MAY MAKE A REPORT ABOUT ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST DURING A MEETING OF THE GOVERNING BODY WITHOUT HAVING GIVEN NOTICE OF THE REPORT. ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST INCLUDE:

Council Member Traylor welcomed Charles. He thanked David Johnson for the time they have served together and for his service to the community. He expressed the same sentiments to Kevin Moon. He thanked Mayor Penn and stated she always put the City first. He welcomed the newly elected officials and told them to "get ready."

Council Member Powers thanked Mary for her service to the community. Although they did not always see eye to eye, they have always communicated and we understand each other. She stated she has known Kevin forever – since Jr. High. He was a great basketball player. She thanked him for serving and she has enjoyed serving with him.

Council Member Moon told David that he taught him a lot. I will miss you. The new council will do great. Mr. C you will do great.

Council Member Cooper thanked David for being reasonable – you always knew how things worked. You were the voice of knowledge and experience. He stated he learned a lot from him. He wished David and Kevin the best on their journeys. He thanked Charles for being here for the second time. He thanked David/Mary & Kevin – they taught him a lot. Thank you for your service.

Council Member Johnson thanked everyone for putting up with him. I ran back into the fire by coming back to work as a council member. Charles we are glad to have you here. He told Mary and Kevin that he enjoyed working with them and the entire group – we did not always agree, but we moved on. Staff – you make us look good. I appreciate you. To the incoming council – have an open mind and get ready for an education.

Mayor Penn read the following statement: "Thank you from the bottom of my heart for your support and encouragement throughout my tenure on the council, and as Mayor. As you know my season has come to an end, and it is time to pass the baton. It was the greatest privilege and such an honor to serve you and to be a leader of this great city, over the past 11 years. Personally, I have learned and grown so much as a person. I am proud of all our accomplishments; how we faced so many challenges and adversities with grace; how we stuck together through it all; how we have lived our city's motto everyday though good times and bad. I would personally like to thank staff, the past and present, for all your hard work and help that you have given the council. It has not gone unnoticed. I would name you individually, but there are too many to count. I would like to thank this council and past council members, for your countless hours of service and love for your community. I am going to miss you. I would like to thank my friends and family, especially my kids and my husband, John, for your patience, love and support, as I held this position. I would like to thank my son, Justin, who inspired me, when he passed away, to be of service to others. Most of all, I would like to thank my Lord, and Savior, for allowing me to be in this position, and guiding me and protecting me every step of the way. He is the one I looked to, for wisdom, discernment and courage. Forney will always be the greatest place on earth to live in my opinion because of our citizens. I look forward to what God has in store for my future and his plan for our growing city. I wish our new mayor elect, Amanda Lewis, the very best, as she moves Forney forward. Thank you."

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mayor Penn called for a motion to adjourn at 6:54 p.m. Council Member Traylor made a motion to adjourn and Council Member Moon seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 6 ayes and 1 vacancy.

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORNEY, TEXAS, his _______, day of ________, 2021.

Amanda Lewis, Mayor

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Dorothy Brooks, City Secretary

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